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Traffic Safety Policy



Facilities and Community would like to communicate traffic safety requirements based on the recently approved **Traffic Safety Policy**. The objective of the policy is to ensure the safety of all community members and visitors and to promote a safe-driving culture throughout the University campus. Following are the highlights of the traffic policy.

Minimum Traffic Safety Requirements:

Drivers are responsible for the overall safety of themselves, passengers and all other road users. They must abide by all traffic regulations and behave courteously at all times to pedestrians.

The following rules should be observed, but are not exhaustive and other traffic and safety rules may apply to ensure prudent driving practices:

1. Drivers of motor vehicles must, at all times, demonstrate the necessary competence and skill to operate their vehicles. Possession of a valid driving license or other means acceptable to KAUST is required. Under no circumstances shall a minor less than 16 years of age be allowed to operate a motor vehicle on campus roads.
2. All vehicles must be maintained in a safe operating condition.

3. Drivers and their passengers must wear seatbelts. Parents are responsible for providing child safety restraints while transporting their children.
4. Vehicles must not be left unattended with their engines running.
5. Drivers must adhere to posted speed limits.
6. Drivers must obey all traffic lights, stop signs and all other traffic signs.
7. Drivers must use low-beam (dipped) headlights when driving at dusk, during the hours of darkness or during inclement weather.
8. Drivers must dim vehicle lights when approaching security gates or checkpoints.
9. Drivers are prohibited from using mobile telephones or similar communication devices while driving.
10. Drivers and passengers of motor scooters, motorcycles, and other similar vehicles must wear helmets while driving.
11. Motor vehicles must be parked in appropriate parking areas only. Vehicles that obstruct traffic flow may be towed.

The above requirements are binding while driving on campus. Community members should obey all traffic laws of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia while driving outside the campus.



Kind regards,

**Health, Safety and Environment
Facilities and Community**